

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (original) A method of managing a media system with a group identifier in a network of media systems, the method comprising the steps of:

- determining a status of the network, wherein the status represents the group identifier, presence and / or absence of at least one media system; and
- determining the group identifier for at least one media system based on the determined status.

2. (original) A method according to claim 1, characterized in that the method further comprises the step of:

- giving a second group identifier specified by a user to a sixth media system.

3. (currently amended) A method according to claim 1~~or 2~~, characterized in that the step of determining the group identifier comprises the step of:

- resetting the group identifier, when said media system is disconnected from the network; or

- giving an existing group identifier to a first media system, when said media system without a group identifier is connected to a second media system having said existing group identifier; or
- keeping separate group identifiers to a third and a fourth media system, when the third and the fourth media system are connected to the network; or
- giving a first group identifier specified by a user, when a fifth media system is connected to the network, to one or more media systems where none of these has a group identifier, and assigning the first group identifier to all of said media systems.

4. (currently amended) A method according to ~~any one of claims 1 through 3~~claim 1, characterized in that the media system is a set-top box, a TV, a PC, a DVD player, a radio, a screen, a camera or a VCR.

5. (currently amended) A computer system for performing the method according to ~~any one of claims 1 through 4~~claim 1.

6. (currently amended) A computer program product comprising program code means stored on a computer readable medium for

performing the method of any one of claims 1 through 4claim 1 when the computer program is run on a computer.

7. (original) A media system for managing a network of media systems with a group identifier, said media system comprising:

- means for determining a status of the network, wherein the status represents the group identifier, presence and / or absence of at least one media system; and
- means for determining the group identifier for at least one media system based on the determined status.

8. (original) A media system according to claim 7, characterized in that means for determining the group identifier comprises:

- means for resetting the group identifier, when said media system is disconnected from the network;
- means for giving an existing group identifier to a first media system, when said media system without a group identifier is connected to a second media system having said existing group identifier;
- means for keeping separate group identifiers to a third and a fourth media system, when the third and the fourth media system are connected to the network; and

- means for giving a first group identifier specified by a user, when a fifth media system is connected to the network, to one or more media systems where none of these has a group identifier, and assigning the first group identifier to all of said media systems.

9. (currently amended) A media system according to claim 7~~or 8~~ characterized in that the media system further comprises:

- means for giving a second group identifier specified by a user to a sixth media system.